the company, its production has picked up from August, 92 onwards. Total production of Vitamin C bulk drug has been about 80.85 tonnes per month since August, 92 which is adequate to meet the estimated annual demand of 1000 MT.

(b) The required information to the extent available is given in the statement annexed. *(See* below)

(d) No, Sir. However, the situation is being kept under careful watch.

Statement

The Quarter-wise Production of Vitamin-C

(In Mt Tonnes)

Quarter Ending	Jayant Vitamins Ltd.	Amabalal Sarabhai Enterprises	Total
January, 91—March, 91	143.30	107.21	250.51
April, 91—June, 91	155.23	101.82	257.05
July, 91—September, 91	117.01	104.77	221.78
October, 91—December, 91	99.49	114.64	214.13
January, 92—March, 92	65.94	104.11	170.05
April, 92—June, 92	86.06	69.15	155.21
July, 92—September, 92	144.37	80.70	225.07

(a) Installed Capacity: 770 Mts. 330 Mts.

Adverse Impact of Fertilizer Policy

497. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representation from the employees of FACT, Udyogmandal, regarding the alleged adverse impact of Government's policies for fertilizers in the recent past;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by Government for ameleorating the plight of the fertilizer industry ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) and (b) The representatives of employees and officers of FACT, Udyog-. mandal, have submitted a memorandum to the Government highlighting the problems being faced by the Company on account of recent increase in the price of petroleum products and decanalising of DAP imports.

(c) Government have, in the recent past, taken steps to reduce the cost of 5_404 RSS/93 producton of fertilizers, including abolition of customs duty on import of capital goods for setting up new plants and for renovation of old plants, abolition of customs duty on imported phosphoric acid, availability of foreign exchange at official rate for import of raw materials/intermediates for manufacture of DAP and complex fertilizers, etc.

Compensation to the Victims of Bhopal Gas Tragedy

498. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) what was the exact amount of compensation for the victims of Bhopal Gas Tragedy decided by the Supreme Court; and

(b) the amount paid so far to these victims upto September, 1992 and the number of the beneficiaries ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) In its Order of 14/15-2-89, the Supreme Court directed Union Carbide